

DUBLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE: HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Cheshire County

1. Historic Name (s) BEECH HILL		22. Map & Lot No. 6 - 40	
Original Owner Mr. & Mrs. Francis Mr. Jencks		23. Original Range/Lot V - 10 - #1	
Present Name BEECH HILL		24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75') Monadnock	
3. Owner's Name Beech Hill Hospital, Inc.		25. UTM Reference 18 7 3 9 4 5 0 4 7 5 4 8 8 0 Zone Easting Northing	
4. Owner's Address Dublin, N.H. 03444		26. Zoning: Rural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Location Beech Hill, off New Harrisville Road		27. Prehistoric Site Object Historic Site Structure Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
6. Open to Public Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7. Visible from road Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8. Ownership Private <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Institutional <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	28. Significance Evaluation National
9. Local Contact/Organization Dublin Conservation Commission		29. Theme Primary <u>Architecture</u> Secondary <u>Summer colony</u> Other _____	
11. Architect Charles A. Platt		30. Endangered Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12. Builder Herbert Patterson		31. Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	
13. Date 1902-03		32. Major Alterations & Date	
14. Style Georgian Revival		33. Owner Questionnaire Completed <input type="checkbox"/>	
15. Original Use Residence			
16. Present Use Sanitarium			
17. Condition Interior Exterior fair			

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18. Description

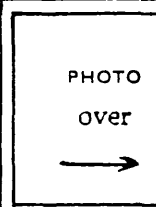
A substantial five-part, 2-story, Georgian Revival house with hipped roof and wide projecting eaves. The windows are 6/6 and 12/12 throughout, and the walls covered by horizontal board siding (like the Upham-Young house, #107, also by C.A. Platt) with simple pilasters and dentil cornice. Sited near the summit of Beech Hill (elevation about 1900 ft.) the house is both a prominent landmark from the eastern approaches to Dublin and commands magnificent views of the surrounding countryside. (New flat-roofed 2-story addition with vertical casements at south end.)

19. History

Designed and built in 1902-03 by the distinguished American architect Charles A. Platt (1861-1933) as a summer residence for his sister and brother-in-law Mr. & Mrs. Francis M. Jencks of Baltimore. Bought by Mr. & Mrs. Grosvenor Backus (she was the artist Josepha Backus) c.1920. Since 1949 guest house of Beech Hill Foundation alcoholic rehabilitation center.

20. Significance

Large Georgian Revival summer house by Charles A. Platt, one of the leading architects and landscape designers of early 20th-century American neo-classical revival. Largest of 4 or 5 C.A. Platt houses in Dublin. Retains overall architectural integrity despite new south wing, which is relatively unobtrusive and does not compromise original structure.



21. Source of Information

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Withy, Biog. Dict. of Am. Arch., p. 475
Peterborough Transcript, 8/11/03, 5/26/03, 11/10/03
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34. Prepared by:

WLB/WM

35. Organization

36. Date 12/22/78

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37. PHOTO D.P.W 6 '82

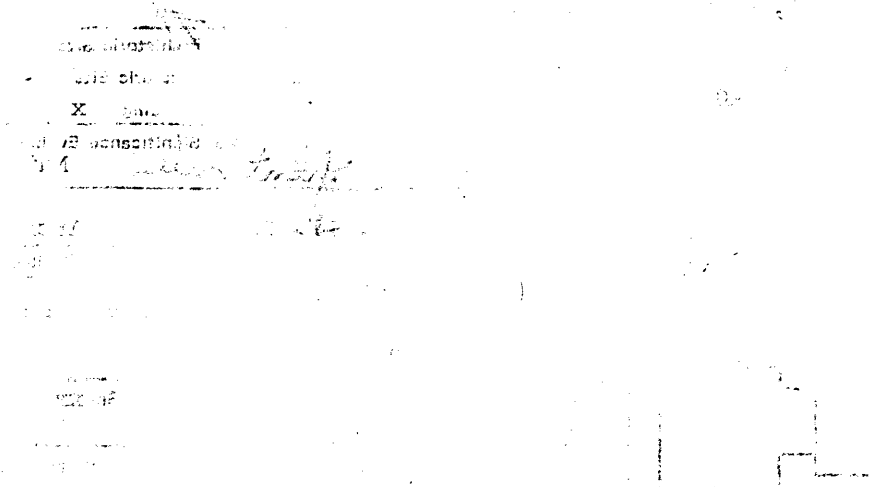
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Picture No. 15A

Direction front view facing east

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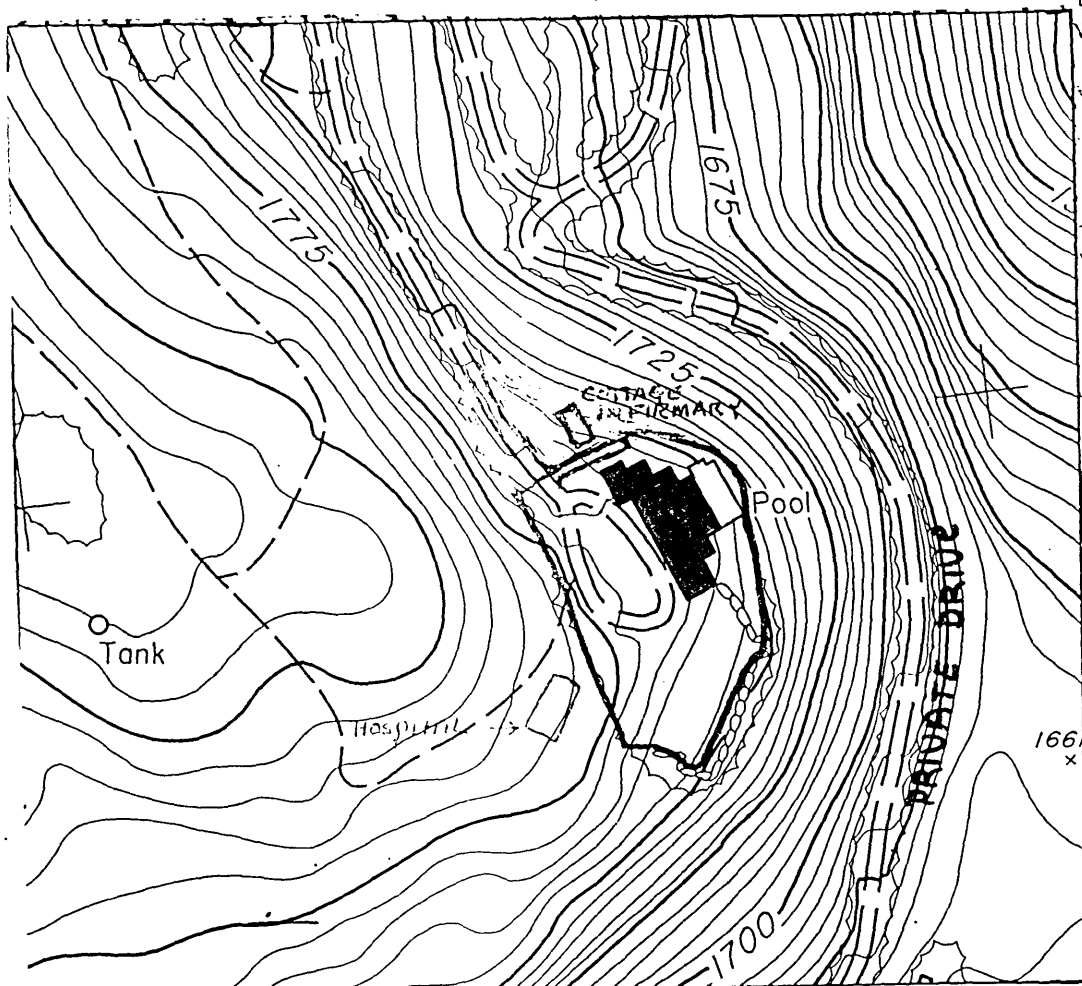
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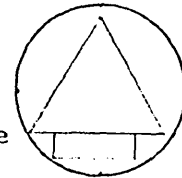
FRONT VIEW

HISTORIC NAME

Beech Hill



PROPERTY OWNER: Beech Hill Foundation
 SITE NUMBER: 92
 PROPERTY NAME: Beech Hill
 ADDRESS: Beech Hill off New Harrisville Road



GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Scale: 1"= 200'

Bounded on north by edge of driveway to edge of trees, on west by edge of trees, and on south and east by edge of trees and stone retaining wall. 1.4 acres

HISTORIC RESOURCES OF DUBLIN, N.H.

JUSTIFICATION:

Immediate visual surroundings incorporating the features contributing to the property's architectural and historical significance.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

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Name Dublin Multiple Resource Area
State Cheshire County, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Cover 12/18/83

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

1. Allison, Capt. Samuel, House *for* Keeper accept Patrick Andrews 12/18/83
Substantive Review

Attest

Determined Eligible

* 2. Amory-Appel Cottage *for* Keeper eligible Patrick Andrews 12/18/83
Substantive Review

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Attest

Determined Eligible

* 3. Amory Ballroom *for* Keeper eligible Patrick Andrews 12/18/83
Substantive Review

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Attest

4. Amory House *for* Keeper Melona Byers 12/15/83
Entered in the
National Register

Attest

5. Appleton Farm *for* Keeper accept Patrick Andrews 12/18/83
Substantive Review

Attest

6. Appleton-Hannaford House *for* Keeper Melona Byers 12/15/83
Entered in the
National Register

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7. Ballou-Newbegin House *for* Keeper accept Patrick Andrews 12/18/83
Substantive Review

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8. Beech Hill *for* Keeper Melona Byers 12/15/83
Entered in the
National Register

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9. Brackett House *for* Keeper accept Patrick Andrews 12/18/83
Substantive Review

Attest

50 10. Bremer, Mabel, House Keeper return PWA 12/18/83 5
Substantive Review

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